

trenches is made more unpleasant by heavy rains, and the ground between the armies in many cases is a bog. The weather is turning colder, and the mists and fogs make the lowlying country unhealthy.

Paris View of Fighting.
PARIS, October 19.—An uninterrupted offensive movement by the allies at certain points in northern France was predicted here today as the battle was resumed. The retaking of Arras, on the river Lys, on the Belgian frontier, and the occupation ten miles west of Lille of the right line leading toward Douai via Valenciennes and Fromelles were considered as constituting an excellent advance guard position by reason of its numerous places of support. This, with the progress in several other sections, notably Arras, gave the allies hope of a continuance of the advance.

BERLIN LOOKS FOR A CHANGE IN FRENCH BATTLE SITUATION

BERLIN, via The Hague and London, October 19.—All the signs indicate that a change is impending in the protracted struggle in northern France, where for weeks the French have been able to advance except at enormous cost. The principal effect of the mutual flanking operations has been to extend the battle lines without either side finding a weak spot.

Comforts on Front Line.
Reports from the front state that the entrenched positions in the center have become full-fledged fortresses. The infantry is lodged in such elaborately constructed shelters that they are now only when a heavy shell strikes squarely. Shrapnel or shell fragments do not penetrate. The soldiers have introduced mattresses, tables and other comforts, and have even had a picnic in which they live in comparative comfort except when it is necessary to man the trenches against infantry attacks.

WHERE BIG BATTLES BECOME MERE INCIDENTS OF CONFLICT

ON THE BATTLE FRONT, October 19, via The Hague and London.—What in previous wars would have been called great battles were fought today on the eastern wing of the fighting line stretching from the Belgian coast to Switzerland. In this great battle of nations, however, these fights are regarded as mere incidents. The fighting always has been of the most fierce nature in this district, owing to the strenuous efforts of the Germans to obtain possession of the strong fortresses of Verdun, Toul and Epinal in order to open a way from Metz into France.

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As to the new battle, that of Flanders, it is clearly offensive on the side of the allies. The circumstances which have developed in this district are so ground more favorable for attack than defense, and that it is undulating land, widely spaced, where troops can easily decide for aggressive movements.

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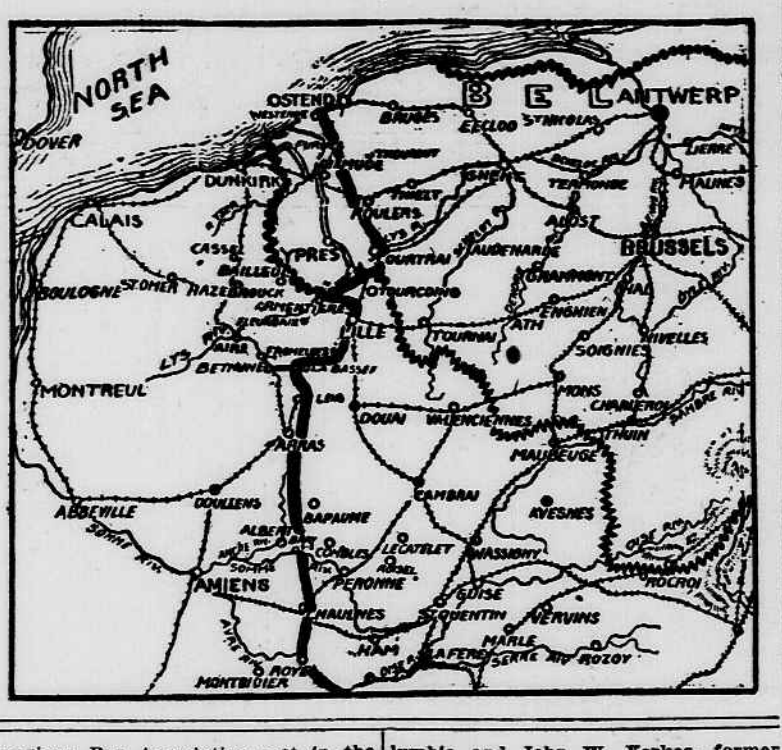
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SCENE OF THE FIGHTING IN NORTHERN FRANCE AND BELGIUM.



American Bar Association met in the mezzanine gallery of the New Willard Hotel today for its first annual gathering. The gathering had interest principally for state bar examiners and law school teachers. Following the remarks of the chairman of the section, Charles A. Boston of New York, Robert M. Hughes of Virginia presented a paper on the evolution of the board of law examiners. Other papers and discussions were contributed by I. Maurice Wormer of New York, Lawrence Maxwell of Ohio, and Harlan F. Stone of New York.

MORE VICTORIES FOR SERBIA CLAIMED IN NISH STATEMENT

LONDON, October 19.—Reuter's Nish, Serbia, correspondent sends an official communication which announces Serbian victories in battles against the Austrians, as follows: "October 12—The Serbians were victorious in vigorous skirmishes on our left wing in Bosnia. "October 12—The enemy was repulsed in an attack on the front of Svirnik-Lonitza. "October 12—We repulsed an attack near Kourichitza on the Drina river. "October 12—The enemy was defeated with enormous casualties in an attack on the front of Ada-Zingaba on the Save and at the conference of the Drava and the Danube. The enemy suffered in disorder on Bejania, leaving a great number of dead, wounded and prisoners. "October 14—Part of the enemy's force was annihilated in an attack on our right wing at Senuchevo. The remainder of the enemy's force fled in disorder with terrible losses. "October 14—We attacked the enemy's brigade near Kourichitza and drove him back on the Drina. Many of the Austrians have been killed and we took 600 prisoners. The heavy rains have swollen the Drina, the torments of the Austrians and the washing down many bodies of Austrians."

MODEL INSURANCE CODE'S SOUGHT BY DISTRICT

May Work in Conjunction With Kentucky to That End—Supt. Nesbit's Recommendations.
Kentucky and the District of Columbia may work in conjunction for a "model" law for the National Capital. This became known today following a conference between Charles F. Nesbit, District superintendent of insurance; Frank C. Greene, member of a commission appointed by Gov. James B. McCreary of Kentucky, to investigate state fire insurance; and J. H. Cockrell, who will represent the District of Columbia in the conference. The committee has drafted an elaborate insurance code for the District of Columbia which will be considered by the House of Representatives. The code is the first step in a movement to bring about uniform insurance laws throughout the country.

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Calls Particular Attention to the Merits of Corps Commanders and Aids.
LONDON, October 19.—Gen. French in his report to the minister of war gives a long list of officers, non-commissioned officers and privates who have been recommended for special mention by army corps commanders and heads of departments. Gen. French expresses his agreement with these recommendations and draws attention to the value of the services rendered by these officers and privates.

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PLAYGROUNDS FOR ADULT RECREATIONS

Supervisor Martin Recommends Purchase of One Park Yearly and Establishment of Pools.
Washington's playgrounds will not be entirely patronized by the city's juvenile population if the Commissioners approve a recommendation contained in the annual report of E. S. Martin, supervisor of playgrounds.

Other recommendations contained in the report are for a survey of the recreational facilities of the city; the purchase of at least one park yearly for recreational purposes; establishment of swimming pools in the various sections of the city, and band concerts at the district-owned playgrounds. In addition, it is suggested that provision be made for indoor and evening work as soon as possible.

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BLOCKS OF CREDIT PLAN FOR WAR TAX MEASURE

Representative Henry Defeats Motion in House to Send Bill to Conference.
All plans to take up the Union station plaza resolution and to rush through the war tax bill to conference today by the House were upset by a sudden determination to force Representative Henry of Texas to show his hand.

After the bill was referred to the committee, Representative Bathrick of Ohio made a point of no quorum, and the House found itself with only 190 members, lacking twenty-six of the proper number, and an adjournment for tomorrow with no business done was a possibility.

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